

# SEDONA ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM PLAN

## Public Workshop Agenda

Tuesday, May 21, 2013 | 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

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- I. Introductions
- II. Overview of the Study
- III. Study Findings (presentation)
- IV. Opportunities
  - a. Markets
  - b. Tradeoffs
  - c. Incentives/Disincentives
- V. Next Steps
  - a. How to participate?
- VI. Conclusion

### Project Overview

Over the next nine months, Nelson\Nygaard will be working with the US Forest Service and the Northern Arizona Intergovernmental Public Transportation Authority (NAIPTA) in collaboration with the City of Sedona to undertake an Alternative Transportation Planning Study in Oak Creek Canyon. The study is funded through a Paul S. Sarbanes Transit in the Parks Grant that has been awarded to the US Forest Service and NAIPTA. Nelson\Nygaard was selected in a competitive bidding process to conduct this study. The study is fully funded through the grant and additional funding is not required from the City of Sedona.

### Project Objectives

- Investigate transportation alternatives to reduce vehicular congestion in key “hot spot” areas. This includes the main thoroughfares on the eastern portion of the Red Rock Ranger District, but more specifically, Highway 89A between Sedona Uptown on the south and Oak Creek Vista to the north.
- Include a range of transit, bicycling and pedestrian opportunities in the proposed alternatives. These should support the goal of reducing vehicle congestion to improve corridor safety, ensure economic opportunities, and protect forest service lands from ecological degradation and recreation management difficulties caused by congestion at popular sites.
- Offer recommended transportation alternatives and provide the USFS ample information to conduct an environmental assessment (NEPA process) of alternatives as a next step.

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